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TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: Irvin Corley, Jr., Director

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RE: Police Funding for the People Mover (**Line Item 16 on today's Calendar**)

Council President Kenneth Cockrel, Jr. asked that I find out how are the police on the People Mover funded.

To clarify, police officers from the Police Department are not located on the People Mover cars or at People Mover stations.

Instead, the Detroit Transportation Corporation (DTC), which operates the People Mover, hires its own transit officers to provide security for the People Mover system. The transit officers are trained, however, by the Police Academy before becoming an officer. These officers are armed.

DTC has 19 transit officers in its Field Operations Department. Most of the transit officers, on a given day, are housed at the People Mover stations. Usually one transit officer rides the People Mover cars, but not necessarily for the entire day. In addition, the transit officers provide security to up to 50 feet of the People Mover stations.

The transit officer salaries and benefits are paid out of DTC's budget. DTC's 2006-07 operating budget is \$21.75 million. It is funded primarily by operating revenue, rental and interest income, advertising revenue, various grants and City General Fund subsidy, which totaled \$6.23 million in 2006-07, or 28.6% of the operating budget.

Please let me know if you need any additional information.

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